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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

John T.M. Wright, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4716

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For: VALVE HOLDER FOR TRICUSPID HEART VALVE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 19, 2004, Applicant submits the following amendments, remarks, and petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a four month extension of the time to respond. The Examiner is requested to enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.